

FINAL
BLOOMFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

There was a regular meeting of the Bloomfield Town Council held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, August 10, 2015 in Council Chambers, Bloomfield Town Hall, 800 Bloomfield Avenue, Bloomfield, CT.

Present were: Mayor Sydney Schulman, Deputy Mayor Joan Gamble, Councilors Joseph Merritt, Wayne Hypolite, Joel Neuwirth, Derrick Seldon, Leon Rivers, Joseph Washington and Patrick DeLorenzo

Also present were: Philip K. Schenck, Jr., Town Manager, Sharron Howe, Assistant to the Town Manager, Marc Needelman, Town Attorney, Attorney Tom Jerrod and India M. Rodgers, Clerk of Council

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting began with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ANNOUCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS

Presentation by Marie MacDonald - \$10,000 Bright Idea Grant

Ms. Marie MacDonald, Chair of the Conservation, Energy and Environment Committee gave a brief history of initiatives completed with past Bright Idea Grants. Ms. Samantha Sojka from Eversource presented the Town of Bloomfield with a second Bright Ideas grant in the amount of \$10,000.

The following individuals were in attendance to support these energy conservation initiatives:

- Valerie Rosetti, 88 Kenmore Road
- David Mann, CEEC Member
- Raquel Kennedy, Victory Energy Solutions

Presentation by Post Road Residential (Andrew Montelli/John McFadyen)

Mr. Paul Butler, 25 Jerome Avenue, LLC is requesting of the Bloomfield Town Council approve an amendment to increase a section of the building to four stories.

Mr. Butler introduced the following team members to present and discuss the amended architectural design for this project:

- Mr. Andrew Montelli, President and John McFadyen, from Post Road Residential, 11 Unquowa Road, Fairfield, CT.
- Christian Alford, from Alford Associate, Inc., 200 Pigeon Hill Road, Windsor, CT.
- Seelan Pather, LEED AP Principal from Beinfield Architecture, 1 Marshall Street, South Norwalk, CT.

Mr. Montelli gave a brief background history of Post Road Residential. He stated that the project site for the Bloomfield Apartments development project is very unique, being adjacent to Town Hall and is the fabric of the town center.

Mr. Montelli requested the Town Council to amend and approve the following:

- Proposed Drainage easement
- Amend tax assessment agreement – 25% of the footprint is 5 stories, which includes amenities.
- Sidewalk connectivity on town land

The target customer base will be individuals who work in the insurance industry in town, approximately 25 to 35 years old with tremendous proximity to amenities.

Mr. John McFadyen thanked town staff for their cooperation and participation with the project thus far. He also presented additional highlights of the project, including the construction 212 new rental units of loft style living:

20% - studio apartments

40% - 1 bedrooms

35% - 2 bedrooms

5% - 3 bedrooms

It was also noted that Post Road Residential is fully on board with 20% minority set aside agreement for construction bids. The group will develop a Request for Proposal for a general contractor. A consultant was hired to monitor this agreement.

There was an ensued discussion among Council members regarding the proposal for changes as presented by Mr. Montelli.

Councilor Neuwirth inquired about the water table higher on building site – need drainage
Mr. Alford spoke regarding basements and parking areas

Councilor Rivers inquired about the “factory look” of the structure, the sign feature in the north corner. He also stated that it is a good idea to connect sidewalks, however he inquired about any adverse effect to increasing pipes for this expansion.

Councilor Merritt inquired about the gable pitched roof, inclusion of amenity space, drainage issues with an installation of a catch basin on island, storage capacity underground and parking.

Councilor DeLorenzo commented about sidewalk construction as well as the possibility of amenity space/leasing. It was noted that there are no retail plans for amenity space. Councilor DeLorenzo is in favor of the roof deck as outside space, the communal area inside the courtyard. He also stated that the space is pedestrian friendly with all buildings, 3 units total including balconies.

Deputy Mayor Gamble concurred with not liking the tobacco shed look. She is in favor of the center courtyard and rooftop access view. Deputy Mayor Gamble also noted that this project would be the legacy for Bloomfield to moving forward and an outstanding opportunity for growth, and its economic impact on the town.

Councilor Washington inquired about modifying plans and concerns with displacement. It was noted that there are no issues with displacement. Developers are looking to attract individuals to town and the new apartments.

Councilor Seldon inquired about the types of amenities, which will include gym, yoga, spinning, lounge, tv area, leasing agent, bike storage/repair, dog grooming/wash station.

Mayor Schulman explained the role of Inland/Wetlands & TPZ, on-site drainage issues, with the possibility to have more competition with other towns building new apartment units.

CITIZEN STATEMENTS & PETITIONS

There were no citizen statements or petitions.

REPORT FROM COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEES

Community Services- Councilor Seldon gave a detailed report of upcoming activities and events for Social & Youth Services, Senior Services and Leisure Services.

Golf - There will be a special meeting held of this subcommittee on August 18, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. Councilor Rivers stated that the town received a large monetary donation from Duncaster Retirement Community in support of the new Junior Golf Team at Carmen Arace Middle School.

Finance – The next scheduled meeting will be held on September 21, 2015. A special meeting may be held if necessary. At this meeting, subcommittee members will discuss an overview of pension liabilities, debt service, 2015 fiscal review and an extensive overview of capital improvement projects.

Public Safety - Councilor Washington read a detailed report of the last meeting held on July 13, 2015.

Committee on Committees – The next scheduled meeting of this subcommittee will be held on August 18, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Land Use & Economic Development – Deputy Mayor Gamble reported that this subcommittee met on July 20, 2015 to discuss the request to sale property located at 1133 Blue Hills Avenue. It was noted that the Board of Education has no issue with the sale of this property. There is a current proposal to build 120 units for residents 60 years and older. This development could also provide additional tax income to the town.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

FY 14/15-17: Review and Discussion Regarding Tax Abatement Request of Paul Butler Concerning Bloomfield Center Apartment Development Project

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Gamble, seconded by Councilor Washington and voted unanimously to amend the Tax Assessment Agreement to allow a portion of the building to include four stories above a concrete podium.

Councilor Hypolite inquired about the procedural process in reference to a vote of Council and a tentative recommendation to Town, Plan and Zoning (TPZ) for this project to move forward.

Mr. Philip K. Schenck, Jr. stated that a review and final approval of this project must be completed by Inland/Wetlands Commission and Town, Plan and Zoning. It was noted that this request of Council approval is to only address the increase to four stories as opposed to the original height already approved.

Councilor DeLorenzo requested a friendly amendment to the original motion to include “not to exceed 63 feet in height”. The maker and seconder of the original motion agreed.

NEW BUSINESS

FY 15/16-3: Consider and Take Action Regarding Request for Drainage Easement (“Center Parcel” of Bloomfield Center Special Development District Drainage Easement)

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Gamble, seconded by Councilor DeLorenzo to approve the drainage easement as presented by Mr. Philip K. Schenck, Jr., Town Manager.

Mr. Schenck, Jr. proposed a friendly amendment of the original motion to include “no cost to the Town of Bloomfield for any improvements to the sidewalk and drain maintenance as recommended by the Town Engineer”.

Councilor Merritt recommended this friendly amendment as set forth by the Town Manager.

Deputy Mayor Gamble and Councilor DeLorenzo withdrew the original motion and accepted the friendly amendment of recommendations set forth by the Town Manager.

Councilor Hypolite inquired about the procedural and technical role of Inlands/Wetlands and the TPZ referencing this drainage easement.

Mr. Schenck, Jr. explained that the town does have standards for sidewalk construction.

Councilor Seldon inquired about what would happen if land use regulatory bodies did not approve this project.

Councilor Hypolite recommended a new motion to approve the drainage easement subject to Administration, Town Attorney, Inlands/Wetlands and TPZ approvals.

Attorney Marc Needelman expressed concerns of the Town Council decision to approve a drainage easement without having the final approvals for permits, developer plans, i.e. size, scope, etc.

Attorney Needelman recommended the following motion for Council vote and approval:

It was moved by Councilor Hypolite, seconded by Deputy Mayor Gamble and voted unanimously that the Bloomfield Town Council agrees to enter into drainage and sidewalk easements with Post Road Residential and Mr. Paul Butler (25 Jerome Avenue LLC), subject to the developer obtaining all necessary regulatory permits for the project as proposed to date; further to technical review and approval by town administration and subject to legal approval by Town Attorney.

Councilor Seldon inquired about issues with the proposed conceptual design of the structure. It was noted that Council would have final approval.

FY 15/16-4: Consider and Take Action Regarding Adoption of Resolution and Adoption of Amendment to the Intergovernmental Consortium Agreement (ICA)

It was moved by Councilor Merritt, seconded by Councilor Seldon and voted unanimously to:

- **Adopt the final amendment to the Intergovernmental Consortium Agreement (see attached)**
- **Adopt the enclosed resolution (see attached)**
- **Authorize the Mayor to sign on behalf of the Town the signature page of the Amendment to Intergovernmental Consortium Agreement**

FY 15/16-5: Review and Discussion Concerning a Library Building Committee

Mayor Schulman reiterated that Town Council members cannot serve on any building committees, they can only serve as liaisons.

Mayor Schulman also stated that there is no timeframe to appoint a building committee and it does not function until issues are raised and addressed. It was also noted that members on the building committee must be town residents.

Councilor Hypolite expressed concerns with addressing other renovation projects besides plans for the library. He stated that Council should not make a commitment to a specific project and exclude other projects.

Councilor Merritt inquired about possibly appointing building committees for other capital projects.

Deputy Mayor Gamble stated that all plans for the library are no longer viable and new plans are needed to review options for library expansion/renovation.

FY 15/16-6: Consider and Take Action Regarding Adoption of Resolution (Appropriating \$385,000 in the Town Capital Non-Recurring Fund for Board of Education Capital Improvements)

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Gamble, seconded by Councilor Seldon and voted unanimously to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Town Council on June 25th, 2012, passed a resolution establishing a ‘non-lapsing’ account in accordance with the C.G.S. 10-248a for Board of Education capital improvements and

WHEREAS, The Bloomfield Board of Education has deposited \$385,000 into the Town’s Capital Non- Recurring Fund from its 2014-2015 budget operations, which supplements a previous amount of \$1,155,000 for revised total of \$1,540,000, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Bloomfield Town Council hereby appropriates the sum of \$385,000 within the Town’s Capital Non-Recurring Fund to BOE Project 10-248a to fund capital improvements for board of education purposes and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education provide to the Town Manager on an annual basis, a report of those project(s) funded under this appropriation.

FY15/16-7: Consider and Take Action on the Sale of Town Property Located at 1133 Blue Hills Avenue (rear of Board of Education building)

Mayor Schulman referred this item to the Finance Subcommittee for further discussion.

FY15/16-8: Consider and Take Action to Regarding Adoption of Resolution Authorizing the Town Manager to Execute Easement and Drainage Right Grants to the Connecticut Department of Transportation for Three Location within Filley Park

It was moved Councilor Merritt, seconded by Deputy Mayor Gamble and voted unanimously to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

Authorization for execution of Easement and Right-to-Drain Grants to CTDOT at Filley Park:

Whereas, the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) has historically used and/or maintained drainage facilities within Filley Park for the drainage of State Route 189 (Tunxis Avenue); and

Whereas, The Town of Bloomfield (Town) proposes to relocate certain of these drainage facilities as part of its Filley Park Restoration project; and

Whereas, The Town and CTDOT desire to formalize the rights of the CTDOT with respect to such drainage and facilities;

Now, therefore, it is hereby resolved that:

The Town Council of the Town of Bloomfield authorizes the Town Manager, Philip K. Schenck, Jr., to execute easement and drainage right grants to the Connecticut Department of Transportation for three locations within Filley Park on behalf of the Town.

REPORT FROM MAYOR AND TOWN MANAGER

Mayor's Report

- On July 22, 2015, Mayor Schulman attended a meeting of consortium of elected officials.
- On July 23, 2015, a meeting of the Alliance for Bloomfield Children was held at First Congregational Church.
- Also on July 23, 2015, Mayor Schulman attended a summer concert on the green and participated in a Japanese Cherry tree dedication ceremony in memory of Sandra Belliveau.
- On July 28, 2015, a meeting was held with Niagara Bottling Company.

- On August 4, 2015, the Annual West Indian Independent Celebration was held on the town green.
- On August 6, 2015, Mayor Schulman attended the Connecticut Conference of Democratic Mayor's.
- On August 8, 2015, Mayor Schulman participated in the Annual West Indian Day Parade at Bushnell Park, Hartford, CT. Mayor Schulman stated that the town may interested in becoming sister cities with Falmouth Parish in Jamaica.
- On August 12, 2015, a meeting will be held with Capital Region of Council Governments (CRCOG) – Executive Board.
- On August 16, 2015, a Walk against Violence campaign will be held at Rehoboth Church of God as well as the dedication of a new section within the church.
- On August 22, 2015, the Annual Back to School Fun Fair will be held from 10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.

Town Manager's Report

Mr. Philip K. Schenck, Town Manager reported the following updates to the Town Council:

- On September 11, 2015 from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m., the Bloomfield Rotary Club will have their Annual Beer & Wine Fest at Seabury Retirement Community.
- The Tax Sale has been scheduled for October 1, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. There are currently 10 properties up for auction.
- Eversource is currently conducting a major reliability study with a high tension tower for wiring and cabling.
- Mr. Schenck, Jr. along with Mr. Brad Davis of WRDC will be the Master of Ceremonies at the Annual Back to School Fun Fair.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councilor Neuwirth, seconded by Deputy Mayor Gamble and voted unanimously to approve the minutes of July 13, 2015.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor DeLorenzo expressed his excitement about the new apartment development coming to town and how it will benefit many residents and businesses. Councilor DeLorenzo also reminded residents to donate to the local Food Bank.

Councilor Hypolite – good things with residential development, educational system accolades, development of open space and summer concert series are all very positive for the town. However, Councilor Hypolite also expressed concerns with blight by residents in town, unregistered vehicles and noise complaints.

Councilor Washington stated that on July 24, 2015, three police officers were promoted to Sergeant, however, Officer Tiesha Thomas was the first African American female to be appointed Sergeant for the Town of Bloomfield.

Councilor Rivers attended an award ceremony for Mr. Cieran Carr, General Manager for Wintonbury Hills Golf Course at Waterford Country Club. Councilor Rivers read a proclamation on behalf of the Mayor referencing his noteworthy accomplishments.

Councilor Seldon suggested to change the current noise ordinance from 11:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., to address concerns regarding neighborhood noise complaints.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:15 p.m., it was moved by Deputy Mayor Gamble, seconded by Councilor Neuwirth and voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session A. – Discussion Concerning Settlement of Pending Litigation with the Town Council, Town Manager, Assistant to the Town Manager, Town Assessor, Town Attorney and Attorney Tom Jerrod.

At 10:36 p.m., it was moved by Councilor Merritt, seconded by Deputy Mayor Gamble and voted unanimously to exit Executive Session A. and enter into Regular Session.

It was moved by Councilor Merritt, seconded by Councilor DeLorenzo and voted unanimously to Consent to Settlement of Jackson vs. Bloomfield.

At 10:37 p.m., it was moved by Deputy Mayor Gamble, seconded by Councilor Merritt and voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session B. – Discussion Concerning Pending Claims and Litigation.

In 10:45 p.m., it was moved by Deputy Mayor Gamble, seconded by Councilor Merritt and voted unanimously to exit Executive Session B.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:46 p.m., it was moved by Councilor DeLorenzo, seconded by Councilor Merritt and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

AMENDMENT TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT
BY AND AMONG THE MUNICIPALITIES OF

ANDOVER, AVON, BERLIN, BLOOMFIELD, BOLTON, BRISTOL, BURLINGTON,
CANTON, EAST GRANBY, EAST HARTFORD, EAST WINDSOR, ELLINGTON,
ENFIELD, FARMINGTON, GLASTONBURY, GRANBY, HARTFORD, HEBRON,
MANCHESTER, MARLBOROUGH, NEW BRITAIN, NEWINGTON, PLAINVILLE,
PLYMOUTH, ROCKY HILL, SIMSBURY, SOMERS, SOUTH WINDSOR,
SOUTHINGTON, STAFFORD, SUFFIELD, TOLLAND, VERNON,
WEST HARTFORD, WETHERSFIELD, WINDSOR AND WINDSOR LOCKS.

THIS IS AN AMENDMENT TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT (the "Agreement"), entered into by and among the above-captioned municipalities (the "Municipalities") in or about 2003. The Municipalities (sometimes hereinafter individually a "Party" and collectively the "Parties") collectively constitute the North Central Connecticut Workforce Development Area (the "Local Area").

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, each of the Municipalities of the Local Area entered into the Agreement pursuant to the Connecticut General Statutes, in order to form the Local Area under the Workforce Investment Act (hereinafter "WIA") and implement a local workforce system for the Local Area; and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2014 the United States Congress enacted the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, (hereinafter "WIOA") which replaced WIA; and

WHEREAS, WIOA requires chief local elected officials to reaffirm their intent to continue as a local workforce area and to seek designation as a workforce area from the State of Connecticut (the "State"); and

WHEREAS, each of the Municipalities desires to continue to receive funds under WIOA and other related workforce funding streams so as to provide workforce services to their constituents by reaffirming their desire to remain a member of the consortium (the "Consortium") created pursuant to the Agreement and which additionally constitutes the Local Area;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and mutual covenants and obligations herein contained, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree and understand as follows:

ARTICLE I: AMENDMENT PURPOSE

It is the purpose of this Amendment to re-affirm and restate the duties, powers, and obligations of the Consortium of the Local Area under the Agreement, in order to be in compliance with WIOA.

ARTICLE II: PARTIES TO THIS AMENDMENT AND INTENT OF THE PARTIES

- a. Each signatory hereof on behalf of a Municipality represents and warrants that he or she has the necessary authority to execute this Amendment to bring the Agreement into compliance with WIOA as it applies to local workforce development areas consisting of multiple units of local government. Each Party through its signatory represents and warrants that it has: (i) complied with any and all municipal and other applicable requirements for amending and restating the Agreement; (ii) becoming a member of the Consortium; and (iii) designating a Representative (as hereinafter defined) to serve and act on the Municipality's behalf. Further, each Party has the constitutional and/or statutory power pursuant to the Connecticut General Statutes to execute this Amendment, as evidenced by the signature of the signatory for such Party which is affixed to the execution pages of this Amendment.
- b. On and after the Effective Date (as hereinafter defined), each Party shall be represented by either its chief elected official or another elected official appointed by such Party, to represent such Party for all purposes hereof (in either case, its "Representative").
- c. The Parties agree that upon its execution by each Party, this Amendment shall be effective as of July 1, 2015 (the "Effective Date"), and that upon such execution and on and after the Effective Date, the term "Agreement" shall mean and refer to the Agreement as amended and restated by this Amendment. The Parties also agree that the Agreement as so amended and restated shall constitute an "agreement" pursuant to Section 107(c)(1)(B) of WIOA.

ARTICLE III: TERM

- a. The Agreement (as amended hereby) shall be effective as of the Effective Date, and shall automatically renew on each subsequent July 1st for successive one-year terms, unless or until
 - i. The governor of the State (the "Governor") re-designates the Local Area,
 - ii. The date that is forty (40) years after the Effective Date, or
 - iii. Any Party withdraws from the Consortium by giving written notice to the other Parties, at least ninety (90) days prior to the end of a program year for receipt of federal workforce funds.

- b. If any Party so withdraws from the Consortium, the Agreement shall be modified to reflect the withdrawal of such member. The pertinent Municipality shall remain liable for its pro-rata share of obligations under the Agreement prior to the effective date of such Party's withdrawal.
- c. The Agreement shall remain in full force and effect until such time as the Governor has been notified and has taken such action as is appropriate to address designation and services issues for the Local Area.

ARTICLE IV: ORGANIZATION

- a. Consortium Membership and WIOA Chief Elected Official Designation
 - i. Each Representative of a Party shall be either: (a) the chief elected official of his or her respective Municipality; or (b) an elected official designated by such Municipality's governing body to serve as such Municipality's "Chief Elected Official" for the purposes required under WIOA.
 - ii. The Chairperson of the Consortium (as hereinafter described) shall serve as the "Chief Local Elected Official" of the Local Area for all WIOA purposes during his or her term of office.
- b. Officers of the Consortium, Election of the Officers and Creation of a Council of Elected Officials to Act on Behalf of the Consortium for the Purpose of Conducting WIOA and WIOA-Related Business
 - i. The Officers of the Consortium (the "Officers") shall be a Chairperson and a Vice Chairperson. The Officers shall be elected by the Council of Elected Officials (as hereinafter defined) from among the Representatives, and shall serve for a two year term beginning January 1 of every even-numbered year. Elections shall be held once every two years following July 1, 2015 in December of each odd-numbered year, to follow municipal elections occurring in November of such years.
 - ii. Notwithstanding Section (b)(i) above, the Parties agree that the Officers for purposes of this Agreement and initial WIOA implementation shall be the Mayor of East Hartford, who shall serve as Chairperson, and the Chairman of the Town Council of Glastonbury who shall serve as Vice Chairperson.
 - iii. The term of office of the initial Officers described in Section (b)(ii) above shall begin on the Effective Date and shall extend through December 31, 2017.
 - iv. In order to be able to conduct its business in an efficient and effective manner the Consortium recognizes that it may be a challenge to assemble a majority of the Consortium for regularly scheduled meetings in a manner that

accommodates all thirty-seven Municipalities. To that effect the Consortium hereby designates from among its membership the Representatives of the following nine (9) Municipalities to serve as the Council of Elected Officials (the "Council") for purposes of conducting business on behalf of the Consortium following the execution of this Amendment and appointment of the initial Officers:

Bloomfield
Bristol
East Hartford
Enfield
Enfield
Glastonbury
Manchester
New Britain
Plainville
Windsor Locks

- v. The Chairperson and the Vice Chairperson of the Consortium shall also serve as the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Council.
 - vi. The Council shall elect the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson in accordance with the schedule described in Section b (i) above, based upon a simple majority of the members of the Council constituting a quorum, once a quorum has been seated at its biannual December election meeting.
 - vii. Council members shall serve until replaced. If any Council member wishes to resign from the Council, such member shall provide written notice of such resignation to the Chairperson. Upon receipt of such notice, the Chairperson shall solicit for a replacement to the Council from the Consortium; alternatively, the Chairperson may nominate such replacement. In either case, the Council shall elect such replacement member at its next regular meeting, by a simple majority vote of a quorum.
- c. Duties of the Chairperson
- i. The Chairperson shall call regular and special meetings of the Consortium and of the Council. The Chairperson shall have the right to vote on all matters which may come before the Consortium and of the Council.
 - ii. The Chairperson shall be a member of all Council committees (as hereinafter described), and may vote on all matters which may come before the Consortium and the Council.
- d. Duties of the Vice Chairperson

- i. At the request of the Chairperson or in the absence of the Chairperson, or during the Chairperson's inability to act, the Vice Chairperson shall assume the powers and duties of the Chairperson.
 - ii. The Vice Chairperson shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him/her by the Council.
- e. Committees
 - i. The Council may establish such standing, special, ad hoc and advisory committees as it shall deem appropriate.
 - ii. In establishing any such committee hereunder, the Council shall specify the purpose and responsibilities of such committee.
 - iii. The Chairperson shall appoint and reappoint the members of any such committee from among the Representatives of the Council or of the Consortium, and shall designate the chairperson thereof and fill vacancies thereon; however any Representative of the Consortium, whether or not a member of the Council may serve on any committee of the Council. Any committee established by the Council may be terminated by the Council at any time.
- f. Full Consortium Meetings and Quorum Requirements
 - i. Regular Meetings. Unless otherwise specified by resolution of the Consortium, the Annual Business Meeting of the Consortium (as hereinafter described) shall constitute the regular meeting thereof.
 - ii. Special Meetings. Special meetings shall be held by call of the Chairperson or by petition to the Chairperson from those Representatives of at least nine members of the Consortium.
 - iii. Annual Business Meeting. The Annual Business Meeting, at which a report on the program performance and presentation of the annual audit shall be made, shall be held on a date and place to be selected by the Chairperson, but such meeting shall be held no later than December 31st of each year.
 - iv. Call of Meeting. Each Consortium member shall be sent notices of meetings in writing, which may include any manner of electronic means, postmarked at least five (5) days before the meeting date. The notices shall include the place and time of the meeting and an agenda for the meeting. Any matter not included in the agenda shall not be acted upon at such meeting other than routine ministerial and administrative matters, unless such matter is approved by a ~~simple majority~~ two-thirds of the Representatives present and constituting a quorum.

- v. Minutes. Minutes of the Consortium meetings and other official actions shall be of public record.
 - vi. The Consortium shall follow Robert's Rules of Order for the conduct of meetings of the organization.
 - vii. Meetings shall be noticed and declared public meetings, open to the public, in accordance with Connecticut State Statutes and federal law.
 - viii. Quorum. For conducting the Consortium's business, any nine (9) Representatives shall be considered a quorum and a majority vote of the quorum shall be sufficient to move an item of business.
 - ix. To the extent allowed by the Connecticut General Statutes, Representatives may participate in meetings of the Consortium via a call-in number or such other technological aid as may be approved by the Legislature. However Representatives shall make every effort to attend in person.
 - x. Each Representative shall be entitled to a vote at meetings of the Consortium.
 - xi. There shall be no proxy or alternate votes at meetings of the Consortium.
- g. Council Meetings
- i. Regular Meetings of the Council shall be held a minimum of four times a year, so as to at a minimum approve the annual budget, approve or terminate the selection of the one-stop operator, approve the four year plan and amendments to the plan, and approve on behalf of the Consortium any contract, Memorandum of Understanding or other agreement as required by the State or other applicable authority, including without limitation any Memorandum of Understanding between one-stop partners including the core partners and to approve any agreements regarding core partner contributions to the infrastructure of the local one-stop system.
 - ii. The Council shall meet biennially in December of odd numbered years in order to vote on the selection of the Chairperson and the Vice Chairperson. Vacancies of such Officers may be filled at any regular or special meeting of the Council.
 - iii. Special Meetings. Special meetings may be called by the Chairperson or by petition to the Chairperson of the Council by a petition of a majority of the full Council membership.

- iv. Call of Meeting. Notice of meetings of the Council shall be sent to the Council and to each Consortium member, so that they will know that a meeting is being held and the Agenda for that meeting, in writing, which may include electronic communications, at least five (5) days before the meeting date. Notice shall include the place and time of the meeting and the meeting agenda. Non agenda matters may be presented at a meeting of the Council so long as such matters are approved by a simple majority of two-thirds of the Council members present and constituting a quorum present at the meeting.
 - v. Minutes. Minutes shall be kept of all Council meetings and shall constitute a public record.
 - vi. The Council shall follow Robert's Rules of Order for the conduct of meetings of the organization when a question arises regarding motions presented for a vote at a regularly scheduled meeting.
 - vii. Meetings shall be noticed and declared public meetings, open to the public, in accordance with Connecticut State Statutes and federal law.
 - viii. Quorum. Five members of the Council shall constitute a quorum for conducting the Council's business and a majority vote of the quorum shall be sufficient to move an item of business. Once a quorum is present for a meeting, such quorum shall be deemed to be present until such meeting is adjourned.
 - ix. Should the Council appoint any committees, three (3) Representatives shall be required in order to conduct committee business and a majority vote of 2 of the minimum of three members shall be sufficient to move any item on a committee agenda
 - x. To the extent allowed by the Connecticut General Statutes, Council members may participate in meetings of the Council via a call-in number or such other technological aid as may be approved by the Legislature. However members shall make every effort to attend in person.
 - xi. Each Council member shall be entitled to a vote at meetings of the Council.
 - xii. There shall be no proxy or alternate votes at meetings of the Council.
- h. Grant Recipient and Sub-Grant Recipient Designation
- i. The Consortium shall support its programs and any costs incidental to the operation of its programs by grant funds appropriated to it by the federal and state grants and/or appropriations. In addition, the Consortium or its designee is authorized to accept any other grants in aid or assistance, funds from the United States Government or to accept appropriations from any of

its members, or any other organization or person, including the acceptance of donations, grants, or bequests whether it be in the form of tangible or intangible property.

- ii. The Consortium shall be the Grant Recipient of record for purposes of receipt of federal WIOA funds.
 - iii. The Consortium designates the North Central Connecticut Workforce Development Board (the "Workforce Board") to be the sub-grant recipient and Administrative Entity/Fiscal Agent for purposes of receipt of federal WIOA funds.
 - iv. The staff of the Workforce Board shall provide staff and related support to the Consortium and the Council. Such staff shall carry out the policies of the Consortium and Council, produce required reports for its review and approval, and provide such other services as may be necessary for the Consortium and Council to carry out their respective business.
- i. Appointment of Workforce Board Members
- i. The Council shall appoint the Workforce Board, which shall meet the membership requirements of WIOA Sections 107(b) and which shall meet the criteria established by the Governor and the State Board pursuant to Section 107 (b)(1) of WIOA.
 - ii. A majority of members of the Workforce Board shall be business representatives who are owners, chief executive or operating officers, or other business executives, or employers with optimum policymaking or hiring authority.
 - A. Appointments of business representatives to the Workforce Board shall be made from nominations received by the Council from among individuals nominated by local business organizations and business trade associations.
 - B. Business representatives shall include small businesses, or organizations representing businesses, that provide employment opportunities in the local area in in-demand industry sectors or occupations (as defined in WIOA section 3(23)).
 - iii. Not less than 20 percent of the members of the Workforce Board shall be workforce representatives which include (a) two or more representatives of labor, (b) one or more representatives of a joint labor- management, or union affiliated, registered apprenticeship program within the area who must be a training director or a member of a labor organization.

- A. If no union affiliated registered apprenticeship programs exist in the area, a representative of a registered apprenticeship program with no union affiliation shall be appointed, if one exists
 - B. Labor organization representatives must be appointed from among individuals who have been nominated by local labor federations. Pursuant to WIOA the Council shall establish a formal policy to facilitate these nominations which shall be communicated to local labor federations.
 - C. Following the appointment of a minimum of the three required labor / worker representatives the Council may appoint the balance of the members necessary to constitute the required 20 percent in this category from representatives of community-based organizations that (a) have demonstrated experience and expertise in addressing the employment, training or education needs of individuals with barriers to employment, including organizations that serve veterans or (b) provide or support competitive integrated employment for individuals with disabilities; or (c) represent organizations with demonstrated experience and expertise in addressing the employment, training, or education needs of WIOA eligible youth, including representatives of organizations that serve out-of-school youth, including representatives of organizations serving out-of-school youth...
- iv. The Council shall appoint representatives of entities administering education and training activities in the local workforce area who shall include:
 - A. A representative of eligible providers administering adult education and literacy activities under title II. If there is more than one, or multiple institutions of higher education providers in the Local Area the Council shall solicit nominations from the providers and/or institutions of higher education providing adult literacy
 - B. A representative of institutions of higher education providing workforce investment activities such as community colleges
- v. The Council may include the appointment of representatives of local educational agencies, and of community-based organizations with demonstrated experience and expertise in addressing the education or training needs of individuals with barriers to employment
- vi. The Council shall appoint representatives of governmental and economic and community development entities serving the local area which shall include:
 - A. A representative of economic and community development entities

- B. An appropriate representative from the State employment service office under the Wagner-Peyser Act (29 U.S.C. 49 et seq.) serving the local area
 - C. An appropriate representative of the programs carried out under Title I of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 720 et seq.), other than section 112 or part C of that title (29 U.S.C. 732, 741), serving the local area
- vii. The Council may appoint representatives of agencies or entities administering programs serving the Local Area relating to transportation, housing, public assistance and representatives of philanthropic organizations serving the Local Area.
- viii. The Council may appoint such other individuals or representatives of entities as the Council deems appropriate.
- ix. Representatives appointed by the Council shall have "optimum policy-making authority", such that they can be expected to speak affirmatively on behalf of the entity he or she represents and to commit that entity to a chosen course of action.
- x. Appointees to the Workforce Board may represent more than one category of membership however, each such appointee shall only have one vote per issue.
- xi. All Workforce Board members shall be appointed by a majority of the seated members of the Council. The Council may appoint a nominating committee or may request that the Workforce Board appoint a nominating committee to make recommendations to the Council, initially as described (as of the Effective Date) in the Notice of Proposed Rule Making for WIOA, and hereafter as per any Final Rule under WIOA.
- xii. All appointments shall be subject to the local board appointment and certification criteria established by the Governor and or the Legislature.
- xiii. Workforce Board Member Terms
 - A. The Council shall appoint the members of the Workforce Board for three year staggered terms. Members may be reappointed at the pleasure of the Council.
 - B. To the extent that any Workforce Board member or members constitutes a necessary membership position for the purpose of WIOA compliance, such member or members shall continue in such

positions once their terms have expired, until their term is renewed or a new member has been appointed to their seat.

- C. The Council shall establish a procedure for being informed of vacancies on the Workforce Board by the staff providing Workforce Board support. In the event of notification of a vacancy a new member shall be appointed from the category of membership in which the vacancy occurred. The appointment shall be made in accordance with the nomination process applicable to the category of membership in which the vacancy occurred. The member appointed shall fulfill the term of the member whose separation from the Workforce Board resulted in the vacancy.
- D. The Council Chairperson may remove a Workforce Board member and reappoint someone to the seat vacated as a result of the removal at any time that the Chairperson becomes aware:
 - 1. That a Workforce Board member has had more than 3 unexcused absences, or
 - 2. That an appointed Workforce Board member ceases to represent the category of membership to which they were appointed, or
 - 3. That a Workforce Board member has resigned, is unable to finish their term because of health reasons, death, or resignation, or
 - 4. That a Workforce Board Member has committed an act of moral turpitude

ARTICLE V: POWERS DELEGATED TO THE CONSORTIUM, THE COUNCIL AND THE COUNCIL TOGETHER WITH THE APPOINTED WORKFORCE BOARD

- a. The Council shall appoint the members of the Workforce Board in accordance with State and WIOA criteria.
- b. The Council shall be responsible for requesting Local Area designation as appropriate and timely,
- c. In addition to the provisions herein contained the Council may create by-laws with respect to the Workforce Board appointment process.
- d. The Council has identified the Workforce Board as the entity which shall be responsible for disbursing grant funds.

- e. The members of the Consortium shall be liable for the WIOA funds in proportion to the population in their respective Municipality. However in accordance with General Provisions sections (a) and (b) the Workforce Board shall purchase insurance as described therein to limit the Consortium members liability, to the extent allowed by law.
- f. The Council, pursuant to state and federal legislation regarding workforce investment systems and funding, shall oversee policy decisions and activities of the sub-grant recipient and Administrative Entity/ Fiscal Agent, including the following:
 - i. The power to contract with the Workforce Board.
 - ii. The manner in which accountability for fund expenditures shall be provided for including an independent audit to be done in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes, and applicable federal legislation, as well as oversight and monitoring, which shall include receiving quarterly performance reports from the Workforce Board.
 - iii. The acceptance of grants, donations or other types of financial assistance as allowed by law.
 - iv. The manner in which any program income, fee for services or surplus funds may be expended and shall be reported.
 - v. The composition, membership appointments, and organizational approval of any advisory or partnership bodies to the Council.
 - vi. The development of policies and procedures and/or administrative rules to effectively carry out the Consortium's and Council's policies and decisions so long as they do not conflict with federal and state rules and regulations, or impinge upon powers granted to the Workforce Board.
- g. To the extent not delegated to and pursuant to an agreement with the Workforce Board, as permitted by USDOL guidance, the Council on behalf of the Consortium shall consult with the Governor on
 - i. The reorganization or decertification of the Workforce Board
 - ii. The designation of local areas
 - iii. The designation of regions
 - iv. The establishment and operation of the fiscal and management accountability information system

- v. Criteria for certifying one-stop centers
 - vi. Equitable and stable infrastructure funding for the one stop system.
 - vii. The local allocation formula for adult, dislocated worker and youth funds
 - viii. Requests for waivers of statutory and regulatory requirements under WIOA
- h. The Consortium and Council shall make the following information and or documents available to the public including through the inclusion of the information on the website of the Workforce Board:
- i. Workforce Board membership and member affiliation;
 - ii. Their meeting minutes;
 - iii. The four year plan and modifications to the plan prior to their submission to the State of Connecticut;
 - iv. The designation and certification of one-stop operators;
 - v. The process and selection of one-stop operators;
 - vi. The award of contracts to providers; and
 - vii. The process and decision to allow the Workforce Board to serve as the one-stop operator.
- i. The Council on behalf of the Consortium, together with the Workforce Board shall:
- i. Approve non mandatory one-stop partners;
 - ii. Comment on the State Plan;
 - iii. Negotiate the local and/or regional performance measures;
 - iv. Enter into regional planning as appropriate;
 - v. Set policy for the Local Area;
 - vi. Enter into an agreement regarding their roles and responsibilities;
 - vii. Work with the Governor in a disaster;
 - viii. Develop the local 4 year plan;

- ix. Develop 2 year modifications;
- x. Shall provide oversight over the one-stop system, youth programs and funds allocated to the local workforce area;
- xi. Approve investments in youth programs as well as adult and dislocated worker activities;
- xii. Oversee the local one-stop system and shall approve the use and management of one-stop, adult, dislocated worker and youth funds;
- xiii. Assure the use and management of funds to maximize performance;
- xiv. Select and terminate the one-stop operator;
- xv. Agree, as appropriate to the Workforce Board serving as the one-stop operator;
- xvi. Develop the Workforce Board budget;
- xvii. Decide on use of non-federal funds;
- xviii. Appeal the Governor's decision to reorganize;
- xix. Develop and enter into memoranda of understanding with the one-stop partners;
- xx. Approve optional one-stop partners; and
- xxi. Negotiate infrastructure costs

ARTICLE VI
CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND CONFIDENTIALITY

- a. Consortium and Council Representatives shall not vote on matters coming before them for consideration if
 - i. the matter concerns the provision of services by the Representative or by an entity that the Representative represents; or
 - ii. the matter would provide direct financial benefit to the Representative or the immediate family of the Representative; or
 - iii. the matter concerns any other activity determined by the CLEO to constitute a conflict of interest as specified in the Regional Plan.

- b. Abstention. Consortium and Council Representatives shall individually abstain from voting on issues and matters that will result in a direct, indirect, or perceived conflict of interest. Abstentions and the general reasons therefore, should be duly recorded in the minutes of the meeting.
- c. Every effort shall be made when appointing non-business members to the Workforce Board that such members or the organizations they represent not be current recipients of WIOA or other grant funds administered and/or overseen by the Council.
- d. The Council shall ensure that the Workforce Board adopts a conflict of interest policy and a code of conduct.
- e. Confidentiality. All information, whether transmitted orally or in writing, that is of such a nature that it is not, at that time, a matter of public record or public knowledge is deemed confidential by the Consortium or Council. Representatives shall not disclose confidential information obtained in the course of or by reason of his or her membership on the Consortium or Council to any person or entity not directly involved with the business of the Consortium or Council. Further:
 - i. No Representative shall use confidential information obtained in the course of or by reason of his or her membership on the Consortium or Council in any matter with intent to obtain financial gain for the Representative, the Representative's immediate family or any business with which the Representative is associated.
 - ii. No Representative shall disclose confidential information obtained in the course of or by reason of his or her membership on the Consortium or Council in any manner with the intent to obtain financial gain for any other person.

ARTICLE VII: GENERAL PROVISIONS

- a. The Parties agree that Capital Workforce Partners, Inc. ("CWP") shall be directed to purchase such insurance as is necessary to fully insure the Consortium and indemnify its Municipalities, their elected officials or designees and the signatories to this Agreement and save them harmless from all suits, actions, damages, liability and expense in connection with any misuse of grant funds allocated to the local area under Sections 128 and 133 of WIOA arising wholly or in part by any act or omission of the Consortium, the sub-grant recipient or any of its members, their agents, contractors, employees, servants, invitees, licensees or concessionaires, and from all reasonable attorney's fees and other costs of defending any such suit or action. Insurance policies to be purchased and maintained by CWP shall name the thirty-seven Municipalities and Consortium Parties as additional insureds, and

shall include, but not be limited to, coverage for directors and officers liability, professional liability and fiduciaries liability.

- b. The Workforce Board, as the sub-grant recipient, and Administrative Entity/ Fiscal Agent appointed hereunder, shall save harmless and indemnify the Consortium and its members from and against financial loss and expense arising out of any claim, demand, suit or judgment by reason of alleged negligence or alleged deprivation of any person's civil rights or other act or omission resulting in damage or injury, if the Consortium and/or its members are found to have been acting in the discharge of its duties or within the scope of employment and such act or omission is found not to have been wanton, reckless or malicious.
- c. It is understood and agreed that this Amendment incorporates and includes all prior negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements, or understandings applicable to the matters contained herein and the Parties agree that there are no commitments, agreements, or understandings concerning the subject matter of this Amendment that are not contained herein. Accordingly, it is agreed that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representation or agreements whether oral or written.
- d. It is agreed that no modification, amendment, or alteration of the terms or conditions contained herein shall be effective unless approved by an affirmative vote of a majority vote of the Parties.
- e. Whenever any Party desires to give notice unto another Party, such notice shall be in writing sent by registered United States Mail with Return Receipt Requested, addressed to the Party for whom it is intended, at the place last specified, and the place for giving such notice in compliance with the provision of this paragraph. Each Party designates the seat of the governing body of its respective Municipality as the address for such notice.
- f. The Consortium shall make such reports to the State and federal governments as may be required and shall require such reports as necessary from the Workforce Board.
- g. Parties may be reimbursed for travel and out of pocket expenses to the extent allowed by the authorizing legislation governing the funding stream from which reimbursement is sought. Reimbursement shall be in accordance with federal, state and local policies.
- h. To the extent a dispute shall arise between or among the Parties in connection with this Agreement, the parties shall first attempt an informal resolution, and if this is unsuccessful, the parties shall attempt to resolve the dispute through mediation.
- i. The Chairperson shall act as duly authorized signatory for the Consortium on all agreements, grants, or on any other document requiring a signature and duly

approved by the Consortium, in order to be legally binding. In the absence of the Chairperson, the Vice Chairperson may sign on behalf of the Consortium.

- j. The Consortium authorizes the President/Chief Executive Officer of CWP to oversee the procurement of goods and services necessary to carry out the day-to-day activities of the Consortium, the Council and CWP, and to enter into agreements for these goods and services, without obtaining prior Consortium or Council authority. Those goods and services procured for service providers and customers currently through CWP's RFP process shall require Workforce Board authority.
- k. This Amendment shall be binding contract and shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State, excluding any choice of law provisions thereof; the effect of which would be to apply the substantive law of a State other than Connecticut.
- l. In the event that any provision of this Amendment or the application of any such provision to any party or circumstances be held invalid or unenforceable or the application of such provision to parties or circumstances be unenforceable, the remainder of this Amendment shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect.
- m. Any waiver at any time by any Party of its rights with respect to any matter arising in connection with this Amendment shall not be considered a waiver with respect to any subsequent default or matter.
- n. All references herein to "WIOA" shall be to WIOA as it may hereafter be amended, substituted or superseded by any successor legislation from time to time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have made and executed this Amendment, effective as of the Effective Date, on separate signature pages, on the respective dates which accompany each signature.

SIGNATURE PAGE OF

AMENDMENT TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT AMONG THE
MUNICIPALITIES OF

ANDOVER, AVON, BERLIN, BLOOMFIELD, BOLTON, BRISTOL, BURLINGTON,
CANTON, EAST GRANBY, EAST HARTFORD, EAST WINDSOR, ELLINGTON,
ENFIELD, FARMINGTON, GLASTONBURY, GRANBY, HARTFORD, HEBRON,
MANCHESTER, MARLBOROUGH, NEW BRITAIN, NEWINGTON, PLAINVILLE,
PLYMOUTH, ROCKY HILL, SIMSBURY, SOMERS, SOUTH WINDSOR, SOUTHTON,
STAFFORD, SUFFIELD, TOLLAND, VERNON, WEST HARTFORD, WETHERSFIELD,
WINDSOR AND WINDSOR LOCKS.

THE MUNICIPALITY OF BLOOMFIELD through its MAYOR.

Sydney T. Schulman, Mayor

Date: _____

Signature: _____

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ENTER INTO AN
AMENDED AND RESTATED INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE
MUNICIPALITY OF**

BLOOMFIELD

**TO IMPLEMENT THE WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT OF 2014 IN ACCORDANCE WITH
FEDERAL AND STATE LAW**

WHEREAS, the 105th Congress of the United States of America enacted the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998 ("WIA"), for the purpose of providing workforce investment activities through statewide and local workforce systems; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to WIA, the Governor of the State of Connecticut created the North Central Region consisting of thirty-seven municipalities (the "Municipalities"), including the Municipality of Bloomfield (the "Municipality"); and

WHEREAS, in or about 2003 the Municipalities entered into an Intergovernmental Consortium Agreement (the "Existing ICA") to implement a local workforce system for the North Central Region; and

WHEREAS, the 113th Congress of the United States of America enacted and President Obama signed into law on July 22, 2014 the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 ("WIOA"), to continue with certain changes the policies and programs created and administered under WIA, including the initial re-designation of the North Central Region as the North Central Connecticut Workforce Development Area (the "Local Area"); and

WHEREAS, the implementation of WIOA and the re-designation of the Local Area shall require amending the Existing ICA through the execution of an amendment creating an Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Consortium Agreement (the "New ICA") among the Municipalities in the Local Area specifying among other things the powers and authority of the Consortium of the Municipalities created thereby (the "Consortium"), the process for the selection of the members of the workforce development board, the designation of a grant recipient and of a sub grant recipient/administrative agency/fiscal agent and a statement of accountability for allocated federal workforce funds; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality wishes to remain a part of the Consortium and the Local Area and to continue to receive funds under WIOA and other related workforce funding streams so as to provide workforce services to its constituents, by entering into the New ICA;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipality having complied with all of its municipal and other applicable requirements to enter into the New ICA, authorizes its chief elected official or chief executive officer to execute any amendment or other documents and to do such other lawful things as are necessary to enter into the New ICA on behalf of the Municipality; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Municipality authorizes its designated representative to the Consortium to act for the Municipality on all Consortium matters as set out in the New ICA.

Signature, Authorized Official
Title: Mayor

Date